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Update on COVID-19 Activity in PHS District

All but one county saw a decrease in positive cases and most counties saw a decrease in overall positivity rate during the week of 12/09/2020 through 12/16/2020. Total testing in the district this past week decreased, however testing access and supply remains stable with few shortages reported. PHS also received reports of significant outbreaks at long-term care facilities across the district this reporting period.

A total of twenty-seven (27) individuals were hospitalized with Covid-like illness this week. PHS has also received report of two (2) confirmed Covid-related deaths this reporting period.

	Total Positive Cases			Total Positivity Rate		
	Week Ending Dec. 2	Week Ending Dec. 9	<i>*Current Week (Dec. 16)</i>	Week Ending Dec. 2	Week Ending Dec. 9	<i>*Current Week (Dec. 16)</i>
District	330	383	266	44.53%	40.49%	35%
Fillmore	26	24	19	41.27%	33.33%	45.24%
Gage	144	171	111	47.68%	44.19%	34.91%
Jefferson	38	79	45	39.58%	45.93%	35.43%
Saline	93	84	54	45.37%	34.29%	29.19%
Thayer	29	25	37	38.67%	35.71%	42.05%
	Hospitalizations Current Week (Dec. 16)		27	Deaths Current Week (Dec. 16)		2

All Risk Dials for the district will move to the ORANGE zone this week as hospitalization utilization and total case counts trend downward. PHS Risk Dials (district and county-specific) and the PHS Data Dashboard are updated each week on Friday mornings and can be viewed on our website www.phsneb.org.

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